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## (Senate Joint Resolution 22)

A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

The establishment of a Study Cornicsion to revise

A study to review all laws concerning employees of the

State of Maryland

FOR the purpose of requesting that the Gevernor appoint a Study Commission to study, revise and recodify Joint Personnel Policy Committee study and recommend necessary revisions of all laws concerning all employees of the State of Maryland.

The State of Maryland employs approximately 60,000 persons in the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Branches of Government and the majority of the employees of the State of Maryland are now covered by the various sections of Article 64A, entitled Merit System.

In recent years other statutory provisions have been enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland dealing with various Departments and Branches of the State of Maryland, among which are Articles 27A, 41 and 62B. The proliferation of legislation concerning all employees of the State of Maryland in the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Branches has resulted in numerous contradictory and confusing provisions of law concerning the rights, duties and obligations of State employees. This proliferation of legislation has placed the Merit System principle in jeopardy due to, among other things, the enormous increase in unclassified positions in State service.

In order to assure the continued existence of a true Merit System and to avoid a regression to the antiquated era of political patronage; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Gevernor of the State of Maryland appoint a Study Commission to Joint Personnel Policy Committee study and recommend necessary revisions and recodifications of all laws concerning all employees of the State of Maryland in the Executive, Legislative and Judicial Branches of Government; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the Honorable Marvin Mandel, the Honorable Blair Lee, the